

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of April 2, 2019 through April 7, 2019.

Tuesday

4/02/2019

(1) DUTY STEWARD

James Dreyer will be in the office to monitor morning situations and will author the minutes during this reporting period.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for a \$5,000 claim, was called off with no entries.

(3) THE DRAW

To the credit of secretary Conklin and the racing office, eight races were finally drawn at 3:00pm.

Wednesday

4/03/2019

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time was conducted at 9:00am with no changes on Friday's program.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for \$8,000, failed to get an entry.

(3) THE DRAW

A total of fifty (50) horses passed the entry box to make up Saturday's eight race program.

Thursday

4/04/2019

(1) SCRATCHES

One rider change completed Saturday's program adjustments.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the book, maidens three and up for a \$16,000 tag, was called off with one Cal-Bred.

(3) THE DRAW

Sunday's eight race program will be highlighted by the James S. Smith Memorial Handicap.

Friday

4/05/2019

(1) SCRATCHES

There were no changes or declarations on Sunday's program.

(2) RULING #84

RULING # 84

JOCKEY JAIRO RANGEL IS FINED ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1872 (FAILURE TO FULFILL JOCKEY AGREEMENT) AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 31, 2019.

The above ruling was issued after Jockey Rangel again failed to honor his riding obligations at Los Alamitos.

(3) RULING #85

RULING # 85

JOCKEY ERASMO GASCA IS FINED TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-THIRD OFFENSE WITHIN PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE EIGHTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON MARCH 31, 2019.

The foregoing ruling was issued after Jockey Gasca was blinded by the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow during the running of the \$211,000 El Primero Del Ano Derby.

(4) COMPLAINTS #19LA0048-#19LA0049

An informal hearing was covered today to hear the above referenced complaints. Present were owner Randy Cano, trainer Kelly Castaneda, and this Board of Stewards with investigator Kevin Kitashima presenting the cases. These complaints were heard simultaneously as they both concerned the horse "Seattle Encounter". After discussing the situation, we are reasonably certain the error was pinpointed. Owner Cano keeps numerous show horses at his ranch, one of which is quite old and is unable to tolerate Bute. The horse is on a regular regimen of Previcox. He was confident that the feed tubes were switched and "Seattle Encounter" received the Previcox. The testimony will be evaluated and a decision rendered.

(5) INQUIRY-NO CHANGE

The Stewards posted the inquiry following the third race to review an incident in the turn. #4 "Sicilyssapphire" (7th- M. Arana) bolted causing #5 "Shiners Code" (5th-E. Payeras) and #7 "Listen Linda" (6th-F. Orduna-Rojas) to take up. Both horses beat the instigator eliminating the need for the Stewards to become involved.

(6) LATE DECLARATIONS

1 ST Race	#2 Ron's Answer (J. Farias) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald.	Refund \$112.00
1 st Race	#4 Parasail (R. Lucas) – Sick- Dr. Fitzgerald.	Refund \$170.00
3 rd Race	#1 Royal Blue Grass (J. Hernandez, Sr.) – Entered back– Steward's	Refund \$105.00
5 th Race	#2 The Bull Mouse (B. Pitnick) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald.	Refund \$217.00

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	512	On Track Handle:	\$65,577.80
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,804</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$246,423.30
Total:	2,316	Out of State:	<u>\$709,230.75</u>
			\$1,021,231.85

Saturday
4/06/2019

(1) RULINGS #86, 87

RULING # 86

TRAINER KELLY CASTANEDA, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "SEATTLE ENCOUNTER" IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FEBRUARY 22, 2019, IS FINED SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$750.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843 (a, b, AND d)(MEDICATION, DRUGS, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (b) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES), #1844 (f)(7) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION-FIROCOXIB (53 NG/ML) IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVEL – 20 NG/ML).

RULING # 87

OWNER RANDY CANO, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "SEATTLE ENCOUNTER" IN THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON FEBRUARY 22, 2019, IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843 (a, b, AND d)(MEDICATION, DRUGS, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (b) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES), #1844 (f)(7) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION-FIROCOXIB (53 NG/ML) IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVEL – 20 NG/ML).

After evaluation of the testimony given (Refer 4/5/19- #4), the foregoing rulings were issued.

(2) FILMS

Minor Arana was in to review last evening's fourth race with the Stewards. Going into the turn in the 4 and 1/2 furlong race, Minor dropped in causing Edgar Payeras on "Grass Runner" to steady slightly. There was some question as to whether Mr. Payeras should have been where he was, but the fact remains he was in there and Mr. Arana should have given him more room than he did. The Stewards did not feel there was enough to act on and issued a warning to Mr. Arana.

(3) RULING #88

RULING # 88

JOCKEY CHRISTIAN M. ARAGON IS FINED FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$450.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND- FOURTH OFFENSE WITHIN PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE FIRST RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE APRIL 5, 2019.

The above ruling was issued after Jockey Aragon violated the crop rule for the fourth time.

(4) CLAIM VOIDED

The fourth race claim of "Texting" by Ricardo Guillen was voided after Dr. Beck advised us the gelding had bled. He was returned to trainer Scott Willoughby.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

- 2nd Race #3 Tuesday's Supernova (Tr. J. Nunez) – Flipped in Starting Gate - Dr. Fitzgerald Refund \$31,243.00
- 3rd Race #5 An Act of Aggression (Tr. J. Farias) – Colic – Dr. Beck. Refund \$483.00
- 4th Race #4 Favorable Separation (Tr. J. Cooper) – Rider Refused – Stewards Refund \$12,445.00
- 5th Race #5 Royal Tricky Lady (Tr. J. Nunez) – Entered back – Stewards. Refund \$534.00

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	652	On Track Handle:	\$75,003.80
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,872</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$238,871.40
Total:	2,524	Out of State:	<u>\$855,606.00</u>
			\$1,169,481.20

Sunday
4/07/2019

(1) RULING #89

RULING # 89

EXERCISE RIDER ALFREDO RAMOS IS FINED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1874 (DISORDERLY CONDUCT – DISOBEDIENCE AND AGGRESSION TOWARD MORNING OUTFRIDER) AND RULE #1688 (USE OF RIDING CROP – EXCESSIVE USE OF RIDING CROP).

Exercise rider Alfredo Castro Ramos was before us after witnesses observed him cropping his mount excessively during a morning work under the guise he was attempting to control the animal. When confronted by the outrider, he became verbally abusive to her. The end result was the above ruling.

(2) RULINGS #90, #91

RULING # 90

JOCKEY JULIO DE LA TORRE IS FINED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-FIRST OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE THIRD RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 6, 2019.

RULING # 91

JOCKEY ERASMO GASCA IS FINED THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$350.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1688(b)(6) (USE OF RIDING CROP-MORE THAN THREE TIMES IN SUCCESSION, WITHOUT GIVING THE HORSE A CHANCE TO RESPOND-FOURTH OFFENSE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 60 DAY PERIOD), DURING THE SEVENTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 6, 2019.

The foregoing rulings were issued after both riders were in violation of Rule #1688(b)(6).

(3) CLAIM VOIDED

The first race claim of "Lake Pegasus" by trainer Jorge Farias was voided after the filly was placed on the vet's list as unsound by Dr. Beck. She was returned to trainer Tirso Limon.

(4) GOOD NIGHT

Sunday evening's program was run with nothing of significance to note.

(5) LATE DECLARATIONS

1 st Race	#5 Shadow of War (Tr. K. Castaneda) – Injured– Dr. Fitzgerald	Refund \$285.55
3 rd Race	#1 Ultimate Game (Tr. R. Lucas) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald.	Refund \$278.30
5 th Race	#3 Stoneys Mr. Cruiser (Tr. K. Castaneda) – Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald	Refund \$340.70
5 th Race	#5 Croissant (Tr. K. Castaneda) – Unsound – Dr. Fitzgerald.	Refund \$180.00
7 th Race	#5 Be Quick (Tr. S. Morfin) – Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald.	Refund \$593.00
8 th Race	#3 Razzel Dazzel (Tr. R. Dominguez) – Broke Through Gate and Ran off – Stewards	Refund \$8,942.80

(6) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	503	On Track Handle:	\$80,525.60
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,632</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$321,830.30
Total:	2,135	Out of State:	<u>\$921,170.19</u>
			\$1,323,526.09

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on April 7, 2019. One equine death was reported this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period 14 horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: 7 for soundness, 3 for injury, 3 for sickness, and 1 for bleeding. Two horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list. This report was submitted by Steward James Dreyer.

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
SUMMARY
2019**

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 4/05	SAT 4/06	SUN 4/07	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	2
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	0
CLAIMS			R		0	2	2	4	78
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	0	0	0	0	8
INQUIRIES	D				1	0	0	1	17
REFUNDS		A			4	4	6	14	119
RULINGS			Y		2	3	3	8	91
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	0	1	1	2	12

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards James Dreyer, Scott Chaney, Tom Ward and Safety Steward David Nuesch were in attendance during this reporting period.

James Dreyer (Steward)

Scott Chaney (Steward)

Tom Ward (Steward)

David Nuesch (Safety Steward)